



GET FOOD SMART TN QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

Spring 2023 Edition



Hi friends,

We are less than a month away from Tennessee's 2nd annual Food Waste Awareness Week! We have been spending the past several months planning and collaborating with local organizations throughout Tennessee to bring tips, resources, and engagement opportunities around the issue of food waste.

Keep reading to learn about all the opportunities to get involved in April!

Thanks,

Ashley Cabrera

UPCOMING EVENTS



Food Waste Prevention Week

April 10-16, 2023

Florida and other states will be hosting a week to highlight food waste and the ways to combat it.

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2023 ReFED Food Waste Solutions Summit

May 16-18, 2023



Tennessee's 2nd annual Food Waste Awareness Week will be April 10-16th, 2023! We are so excited to engage with Tennesseans on topics around food waste reduction, recovery, and diversion. We are also expanding upon Bread to Tap events from our inaugural year. Keep an eye out for more information to come on our [Get Food Smart TN website](#), and [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) accounts.

Presented by ReFED, the Food Waste Solutions Summit is the premier food waste event of the year, bringing together food businesses, funders, solution providers, innovators, policymakers, nonprofits, and more to drive the adoption of solutions to reach our collective goal of a 50% reduction in food waste by 2030.

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OPPORTUNITY



USDA Farm to School Grant Program

USDA's Farm to School grants are a way to help state, regional, and local organizations as they initiate, expand, and institutionalize farm to school efforts.

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FOOD WASTE RECIPE

WE'RE LOOKING FOR PARTNERS!



HELP US PROMOTE AND ENGAGE IN FOOD WASTE AWARENESS WEEK BY BECOMING A FOOD HERO PARTNER!

If you are interested in becoming a Partner, click this image to learn more, or click the button below to fill out a Partner Form.



We are busy planning for our 2nd Annual Food Waste Awareness Week (April 10-16, 2023) and are looking for restaurants, organizations, and other businesses to partner with us during the week!

As a partner, you can help us spread the word about food waste reduction, recovery, and diversion during the week, using a Partnership Toolkit that will be shared with you when you sign up.

You can learn more about being a Partner by watching our recorded [Partner Webinar](#) or by clicking the image above.

If you have questions, please contact Kelsey Davis (kelsey.davis@tn.gov). To become a Partner, click on the link below to fill out a short form.

[Become a Partner!](#)



Fruit Salsa



Store tomatoes, bananas, and avocados on the counter separately. These foods can cause other produce to ripen faster.



BREAD TO TAP EVENT

END FOOD WASTE

A family-friendly event featuring live chef cooking demos, a statewide food drive, local resources, and a specialty craft brew.



APRIL 15, 2023

JOIN US TO #ENDFOODWASTETN

We are partnering with breweries and organizations across the state to bring you our Bread to Tap events for the second year in a row! This year, each location will have some unique ways to get involved and new components. There will be a special bread beer, trivia, food trucks, resources, chef demos, and an opportunity to contribute to our statewide food drive. Find out more and an event near you at the link below!

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Food Waste Awareness Week **STATEWIDE FOOD DRIVE**

April 3-21, 2023



**FIND A DONATION LOCATION
NEAR YOU!**



FEED YOUR NEIGHBORS

We are partnering with the UT Ag Extension Agency and UT Institute of Agriculture again for the Statewide Food Drive! Last year we collected over 12,000 pounds of food at 43 locations across the state. This year the food drive has been expanded to three weeks, instead of one, to increase impact. You can find a donation location near you at the link below. If you are interested in being a donation location, fill out our [Food Drive Form](#).

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